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SENATE BILL 457

51ST LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2013

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AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS; REQUIRING A PHOTOGRAPH OF A CANDIDATE ON
A BALLOT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 1-10-6 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1977,
Chapter 222, Section 29, as amended by Laws 1993, Chapter 314,
Section 52 and also by Laws 1993, Chapter 316, Section 52) is
amended to read:

"1-10-6. BALLOTS--NAME TO BE PRINTED--CANDIDATES WITH
SIMILAR NAMES--PHOTOGRAPH TO BE PRINTED.--In the preparation of
ballots:

A. the candidate's name shall be printed on the
ballot as it appears on the candidate's certificate of
registration that is on file in the county clerk's office on
the day the governor issues the proclamation for the primary

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1 election; [~~and~~]

2 B. if it appears that the names of two or more
3 candidates for any office to be voted on at the election are
4 the same or are so similar as to tend to confuse the voter as
5 to the candidates' identities, the occupation and post office
6 address of each such candidate shall be printed immediately
7 under the candidate's name on the ballot; and

8 C. a photograph of the candidate that was taken
9 within one year before filing a declaration of candidacy shall
10 be printed next to the candidate's name on the ballot."

11 SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the
12 provisions of this act is July 1, 2013.

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